Justification for Exception Position 5 (level AD-K) hired under the DOI AD Hiring Authority

Exception Position 5 requires expert knowledge and very high skill level in applying a wide range of concepts, principles, and practices associated within professional or administrative work. Most often, positions at this level are commensurate with knowledge gained from successful completion of Incident Command System (ICS) 400 level and above courses, qualifications at the Type 1 or Type 2 level, or "ologist" type positions (such as archeologist) that require a higher level of education or certification. Incumbents of these positions may be required to supervise other professionals or a group of technical specialists (THSPs).

NPS hiring unit: TN-GSP

Title of Exception Position: Consultant / Advisor

Objective or purpose of position: Advise the Incident Commander and Operations Section and provide expert advice in search and rescue operations.

Duties:

Serve as an consultant/advisor to the Incident Commander and Operations Section on lost person behavior, provide statistical information regarding a find location, scenario analysis, mobility time, survivability, elevation and statistics such as distance from the initial planning point (IPP). Advise search operations with the most likely areas to search and initiate a quick concensus for search operations.

Position will be supervised by (provide position title): Agency Representative/Deputy Superintendent

Qualifications/training of AD employee that justifies or supports hiring him/her into this position:

Type 1 Incident Commander

Master of Sceince degree in neurobiology
Research associate at Kingston University in London

Contributor to the International Search and Rescue Incident Database (ISRID)
Instructor to various agencies / countries.

Author of "Lost Person Behavior", a field reference book to help searchers with lost person behavior which provides the latest search and rescue incident statistics from over 50,000 SAR incident; behavorial profiles, statistical information, the ability to pinpoint the most likely areas to search

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